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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1892.

## "A DRESS REHEARSAL."

Well done, very well done, must be the judgment pronounced upon the performance of the pretty operetta, "A Dress Rehearsal," in the hall of the Montclair Club House Tuesday evening. The managers of the Mountside Hospital must have a goodly number of dollars on the right side of the account, for the large hall was completely filled. The Hospital appears to be serving other useful purposes than the care of the sick. It is a bond of union between the two townships, and is becoming also a most satisfactory purveyor of entertainments. When one can contribute to a hospital and purchase a ticket for a first-class entertainment with the same money, a most satisfactory condition of affairs has been reached. It is to be hoped that the managers will continue to amuse and instruct the public while they carry on the hospital work.

Before the curtain rose the Mozart Club rendered an overture in a manner which did great credit to the players and to their conductor. It is not often that one hears more satisfactory "theatre music." Only in a few of the first-class metropolitan theatres, where the orchestra is made a special feature, is music furnished, between the acts, of better quality than that which the audience enjoyed Tuesday evening.

"A Dress Rehearsal" was very recently produced in the Guild House of Christ's Church, Bloomfield, and then gave great delight to the limited audiences, which the size of the building necessitated. The result Tuesday evening showed that the managers made no mistake in placing it before a larger and more critical audience.

The story of the operetta is as follows: Miss Jones keeps a fashionable boarding school, and like many other heads of departments has much knowledge of proprieties and very little of principles. She will allow the school girls to produce a Shakespearean charade, for Shakespeare in her opinion could write nothing improper. Consciously or unconsciously relying on the profound ignorance of the Mighty Bard, displayed by this opinion, the bright school girls determine to produce "Cinderella" as one of the inventions of Shakespeare. The school mistress is frequently shocked, not to say horrified by the apparent breaches of propriety, but as in many another case the great name made everything "O.K." (familiarly indicated by O. K.). The superintendent of rehearsals and instructress in dramatic art is Mrs. Jarvis. This part was most admirably taken by Mrs. James Walsh. Her account of herself and her instructions to the school girls "brought down the house." Her graceful and merry exhibition of the characteristics of a fairy god-mother particularly pleased the audience. A visitor mistakes the rehearsal of Miss Fiddie, as Cinderella, for reality, and towards the end of the dress rehearsal brings in a policeman to rescue this young friend from starvation and cruelty. Among other things she threatens the school mistress with the newspapers, which terrifies the young maiden, who has assumed boy's clothes as the Prince. She with comical distress objects to getting into the papers in that costume. Her distress was needless, however, for she made a very pretty picture in her very becoming page's costume.

The Misses Walsh, as the two wicked sisters, were very pleasing. Cinderella sang her part well. Miss Puffer ate apples and cake and biscuit and buns and displayed her appetite in a manner to excite laughter every time she opened her mouth either to eat or to speak. We cannot mention in detail all the good things that were said and done; but nobody ought to be envious, if we say that after Mrs. Walsh, the most brilliant hit was made by Miss Lockwood as the fairy god-mother. Her dressing was in the very best of taste. She looked the part, she acted it, and she sang in a way which captured her audience completely.

Mrs. Holt performed her duties as accompanist in manner to leave nothing to be desired.

While the managers of the Hospital are very properly thanking their loyal supporters, in their efforts at money making, we feel sure we voice the feelings of the audience, in thanking the managers for a most delightful evening.

## AT THE CHURCHES.

**First Presbyterian.**  
The Rev. H. W. Ballantine, D.D., pastor. Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 12 M. Strangers always welcome.

**Westminster Presbyterian.**  
Rev. Geo. A. Paull, pastor. Subject to-morrow at 10.30 A. M. "A Christian Patriot"; at 7.30 P. M. "The Mouth." Sunday-school at noon. Young People's prayer meeting 6.45 P. M. All cordially welcome.

**German Presbyterian.**  
Sunday services: Preaching by the pastor, the Rev. H. W. Seibert, at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 2 P. M. Prayer meeting, Tuesday at 8 P. M. Young People's Society, Friday at 8 P. M.

**Park Methodist Episcopal.**  
Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Preaching by the pastor, the Rev. R. B. Collins. Sunday-school at noon. Epworth League Prayer Meeting at 6.45 P. M. Leader, Mr. Fred H. Carl. Children's Hour, Tuesday, at 3.30 P. M.

**Watessing Methodist Episcopal.**  
Preaching at 10.30 and 7.30 by the pastor, the Rev. Elbert Clement. Class meeting at noon. Sunday-school at 2.30. Young People's Meeting at 6.45. Seats free and all welcome.

**First Baptist.**  
Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Subject in the morning, "The Missionary Spirit." Evening, "Evangelistic Service." Sunday-school and Bible Classes at 12 o'clock, to which all are invited.

**Glen Ridge Congregational.**  
Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Sunday-school at 3 o'clock. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 7 o'clock, opening with service of song.

**Christ Episcopal.**  
The Rev. Edwin A. White, rector. Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 A. M.; Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon at 10.30 A. M.; Sunday-school, 3 P. M.; Evening Prayer and Sermon, 7.30 P. M.

**A Letter of Thanks.**  
The Board of Governors of the Mountside Hospital desire to express their sincere thanks to the ladies of Christ Church Guild for their kindly efforts to aid the Hospital by reproducing so successfully, the pretty operetta, "A Dress Rehearsal" at Montclair on Tuesday evening last. They also wish to express their appreciation of the many kind and efficient services gratuitously rendered at that time by friends both in Bloomfield and Montclair.

**M. E. G. WHITE,**  
Recording Secretary.

**Will Give Democrats a Job.**  
Mr. Kailech's Police Justice bill that was launched upon the House on Wednesday afternoon, is an interesting legislative child. It ever finds its way to the statute books it will make a big change in some places. It applies to townships, East Orange, Bloomfield, Montclair and Clinton, strong Republican townships of Essex County, will have Democratic Police Justices at a salary of about a \$1,000 a year.

**Fairview Notes.**  
The Fairview Chess Club has as yet received no challenges.

The people of Fairview are anxious for free postal delivery.

John F. Dillon is troubled with a thirst for gold, but not of the Keeley kind.

The sun shines in Fairview again. The dark cloud that threatened disaster has passed over.

William V. Hughes has been observed in close communion with some of the politicians of late. The wizard's wires are generally laid deep under ground, but the current gets there.

Fred Mohrman was seen on Myrtle Street, Watessing, last Sunday afternoon. Watessing people were very much excited over it, as they always are over the appearance of a stranger when politics are lively. It was afterwards learned that Mr. Mohrman simply paid a social visit to his friend Mr. Hunt.

**Brookdale Notes.**  
The five-year-old child of Sidney B. Cady of Bay Avenue died on Saturday night of scarlet fever. The funeral took place on Sunday.

The Guild of the Brookdale Reformed Church have elected the following officers: President, Nelson Day; Vice-President, Cortland J. Van Winkle; Secretary and Treasurer, E. G. Day.

Proprietor Koch of the "Blue Corner" Hotel has purchased the property of William Wertz, corner of Oak Tree Lane and Broad Street, at a cost of \$2,500, and will move his business there next month.

Wallace Lyon, whose application for a saloon license was refused a few months ago because the Judge alleged that the names to his application were forged, intends to open a saloon on his father's farm on the Paterson Road if he can obtain a license.

A valuable hunting dog owned by James Cockfair became vicious and showed signs of rabies last Monday morning. He ran down Morris Lane and bit a dog owned by William Dodzner. He continued his mad career through Bay Avenue. Several ineffectual attempts were made to kill him. The dog is still at large.

Ladies' Rubbers 17c. at Shoenthal's. Adv.

**"The Still Alarm" at Miner's.**  
"The Still Alarm" is the strong attraction offered at Miner's Newark Theatre next week. There will be a holiday matinee on Washington's Birthday, besides the usual matinee on Saturday. The following is from the Washington Post:

"The Still Alarm" has sounded on four opening nights in Washington, but never to such an immense house as filled the New National last night. The play has all the old attractions, and besides being strengthened in the drama itself, has been a special feature for four Washington performances. The horses that appear in the great fire-alarm scene are a span of speckled beauties that go through their parts in a way to make all horse lovers happy and disappear through the station-house door at a rate to make all the small boys in the gallery desert and go to the fire.

The Standard Quartette sings admirably and William Harkins is the beau ideal of a brave fireman and a gallant lover. The rest of the cast is full of spirit and adequate to all demands. It is Little Tuesday, the author's niece, who is the great star. This is a special engagement, and as she can only be obtained for three weeks, on account of New York engagements. Washington is particularly fortunate in having an opportunity to see her in four performances.

In the third act there is a flutter of white lace flounces, a shaking of yellow curls, a twinkle of two tiny blue silk clad feet, and that is little Tuesday, the wonderful child actress. She sang danced and recited in a charming way, and became an instant favorite.

**Lodge Notes.**  
Bloomfield Lodge, No. 40, F. & A. M., conferred the first degree at its regular communication last Tuesday evening. A number of visitors from Newark were present.

Bloomfield Division, Uniform Rank, K. of P., will be instituted next Tuesday evening by Capt. C. M. Stimus of Black Prince Division of Newark. Bloomfield Division will fill the number necessary to form a brigade in the State.

Friendship Lodge, No. 16, Knights and Ladies of Honor of Newark, paid a fraternal visit to Covenant Lodge of this place last night. Refreshments were served after the closing of the lodge. One candidate was initiated and three applications for membership were received.

At the regular meeting of Eureka Lodge, K. of P., on Tuesday evening, the rank of Page was conferred on one candidate. The rank of Esquire will be worked next Tuesday evening. The resignation of J. W. Brereton as Trustee was received. Mr. Brereton will go to Charleston, S. C., next month to engage in business. William Baldwin was elected Trustee to fill the unexpired term.

**List of Patents.**  
Granted to New Jersey Inventors this week, reported by C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of American and Foreign Patents, opp. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.: R. Atherton, Paterson, spindle-support for silk-spinning machines; W. E. Brock, Plainfield, veneered lumber; H. Hinkle, Trenton, pressure regulator for railway-brakes; A. Hough, Dover, vehicle hub; F. Muller, Elizabeth, driving attachment or power transmitter; W. F. Myers, Jersey City, machine for perforating blanks; W. M. Robertson, Newark, machine for dyeing fabrics; I. L. Silverberg, M. Reichman, and G. Troxler, Newark, burglar-alarm; C. W. Soverhill, Newark, fruit-evaporator; C. W. Thomas, Jersey City, electric railway; D. O. Ward, Newark, nut-lock and washer; G. H. Weiss, Jersey City, purifying coconut oil; W. F. Wentz, Newark, telegraphy; B. Westervelt, Newark, curling tool.

**Donated to the Relief Fund.**  
T. Howell Johnson, Chief Engineer of the Bloomfield Fire Department:

DEAR SIR: Enclosed please find check for twenty-five dollars for the benefit of the Relief Association connected with your Department, in acknowledgment of your promptness to the call to my place of business on the evening of December 18. Hoping you will pardon my tardiness in this matter, and expressing my thanks to your subordinates for their ever promptness,

I remain yours respectfully,  
JOHN G. KEYLER.  
BLOOMFIELD, February 12.

The contribution has been duly acknowledged and the check sent to George B. Smith, Treasurer of the Relief Association.

**Shakespearean Phrase.**  
At an examination of the graduating class of Vassar College a few months since a large number of invited guests were present. The Professor in charge announced that impromptu questions would be asked of and answered by the young ladies of the class. "Miss Intellect," said the Professor, "please explain the meaning of the phrase 'Go to'." The young lady pupil was a vivacious Boston girl, and first turning her chewing-gum over two or three times, she exclaimed, "That is only the sixteenth-century phrase of the present day's expression of 'Oh, come off.' The words 'Go to' are now used as a prefix to a message, as, for instance, 'Go to' 270 Greenwich Street and buy me a pair of Coward's Common Sense Shoes." The applause was immense. Adv.

## To Hold a Fair.

A meeting of the building committee of the new depot at Orchard Street will be held at the residence of Seymour P. Gilbert on Monroe Place this evening, when the proposition of running a fair in the new station next month will be discussed. The name of the depot will be Orchard Street.

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On February 6th.—The Merry Go Round; a topical song eulogizing the Carrousel in Central Park, New York City. This song is already very popular.

On March 5th.—The Old Spinning Wheel; a tuneful ballad with quartette chorus. This song is of the same class as "The Old Oaken Bucket" and "The Old Arm-Chair," and will certainly be appreciated.

On April 2d.—A very melodious and harmonious composition, set to the hymn Jesus, Saviour of My Soul. This song is arranged for baritone solo part; soprano solo part; soprano and tenor duett parts, and a refrain for mixed voiced quartette parts, together with piano accompaniments. As Easter Sunday falls in April, we think this song very appropriate for April donation.

On May 7th.—Dainty Dolly Varden; a song of the serio-comic class. The words are comical, and the music catchy. The song (as many of our customers will recognize) is now being sung on the stage, and is very popular. The chorus goes as follows:

"Annie Rooney's English, Annie Laurie's Scotch;  
Maggie Murphy's Irish, and Margaret, she is Dutch;  
But my best girl's American, with just enough high tone,  
For she's Dainty Dolly Varden, and she's all my own."

On June 4th.—Jack and Jill; a semi-nautical ballad, with a spirited chorus.

On July 2d.—Gretchen; a melodious song of a high class.

On August 6th.—Just Forty Years Ago; a ballad of the old English type.

On September 3d.—The Darker's Lament; a very tuneful song of the "Old Black Joe" class, and includes a lively jig dance.

On October 1st.—The Little Hebrew Maiden; a topical song as applied to the methods of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. This song preaches a sermon, and is a decided novelty.

On November 5th.—Little Danny Man, The Drum Major; a song of the "Mulligan Guards" class, and includes a rattling march. The foregoing listed songs are all original. The stanzas are by Nick Bachelor, and the music is composed by C. I. Bolles. Special arrangements with the publisher (whose price for each song at retail is not less than forty cents) allows the Crescent Drug Company the sole right to donate these songs in the city of Newark. The songs will positively be given away (rain or shine) on dates mentioned, to each customer in our store purchasing goods to the value of 5 cents or more.

On December 3d, to every customer in our store who purchases goods to the value of 25 cents, we shall present (free of charge) a bound volume containing the eleven songs previously mentioned herein. The volume will be called Crescent Portfolio of Song Music, and will contain, in addition to the eleven songs mentioned, six other songs, donated by us to customers in the past, viz.:

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Customers in the past have asked for songs on other days except the Saturdays on which songs are donated. We desire to say positively that no songs will be donated except on the dates mentioned. Neither will we accept 5 cents in cash for a copy of a song. We frequently receive money by mail asking that a song be sent by mail in return. We therefore wish to say emphatically that we cannot sell the songs. We only give them away to customers in our store, and on the dates specified.

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